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TAGS: PFOR GE GW
SUBJ: GDR REJECTS FRG EXPLANATION OF RECENT BORDER INCIDENT

REF: BERLIN 7101

1. THE GDR ANNOUNCED FEBRUARY 10 THAT IT HAS REJECTED
AS "TOTALLY UNSATISFACTORY" AN FRG RESPONSE TO ITS
PROTESTS OF NOVEMBER 2 AND 16 AGAINST ALLEGED MISTREAT-
MENT OF GDR TRAVELERS BY GDR BORDER AUTHORITIES IN
BAVARIA. GDR OFFICIAL NEWS SERVICE ADN STATES THAT
THE FRG INFORMED THE GDR PERMREP IN BONN THAT IT HAD
INVESTIGATED THE INCIDENTS THAT OCCURRED AT THE
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LUDWIGSTADT BORDER POINT AND HAD CONCLUDED THAT THE
PROCEDURES EMPLOYED CONFORMED WITH FRG LAW AND
COULD BE USED IN THE FUTURE. ADN REPORTS THAT ACCORD-
ING TO THE MFA, A CONTINUANCE OF THESE BORDER
PROCEDURES BY THE BAVARIAN BORDER POLICE COULD MAKE
TRAVEL BETWEEN THE FRG AND GDR "EXTRAORDINARILY MORE
DIFFICULT", AT LEAST IN AREAS AFFECTING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE

BAVARIAN BORDER POLICE. THE MFA WANTS FURTHER THAT
"NECESSARY MEASURES" ON THE PART OF GDR BORDER FORCES
CANNOT BE RULED OUT.

2. COMMENT: AT THE TIME OF THE ORIGINAL GDR
PROTEST AND EDITORIAL NOVEMBER 11 MADE IT SEEM
AS IF THE GDR WOULD USE THE LUDWIGSTADT INCIDENT
TO SIGNAL THAT RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL BY GDR CITIZENS
INCLUDING PENSIONERS WOULD NOT BE EASED IN THE FORE-
SEEABLE FUTURE. THE GDR'S NEWEST REACTION TO WHAT IT
CONSIDERS AN UNSATISFACTORY FRG RESPONSE LEAVES THE
IMPRESSION THAT GDR COUNTER MEASURES, IF TAKEN,
COULD EFFECT TRAVEL BETWEEN THE GDR AND FRG AT LEAST
ALONG THE GDR BORDER WITH BAVARIA. THE GDR WARNING
DOES NOT SEEM TO PRESAGE GDR STEPS AFFECTING ALL
TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE FRG, BUT SYMBOLIC MEASURES AT
SELECTED GDR BORDER POINTS COULD BE IN THE OFFING. POLANSKY

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